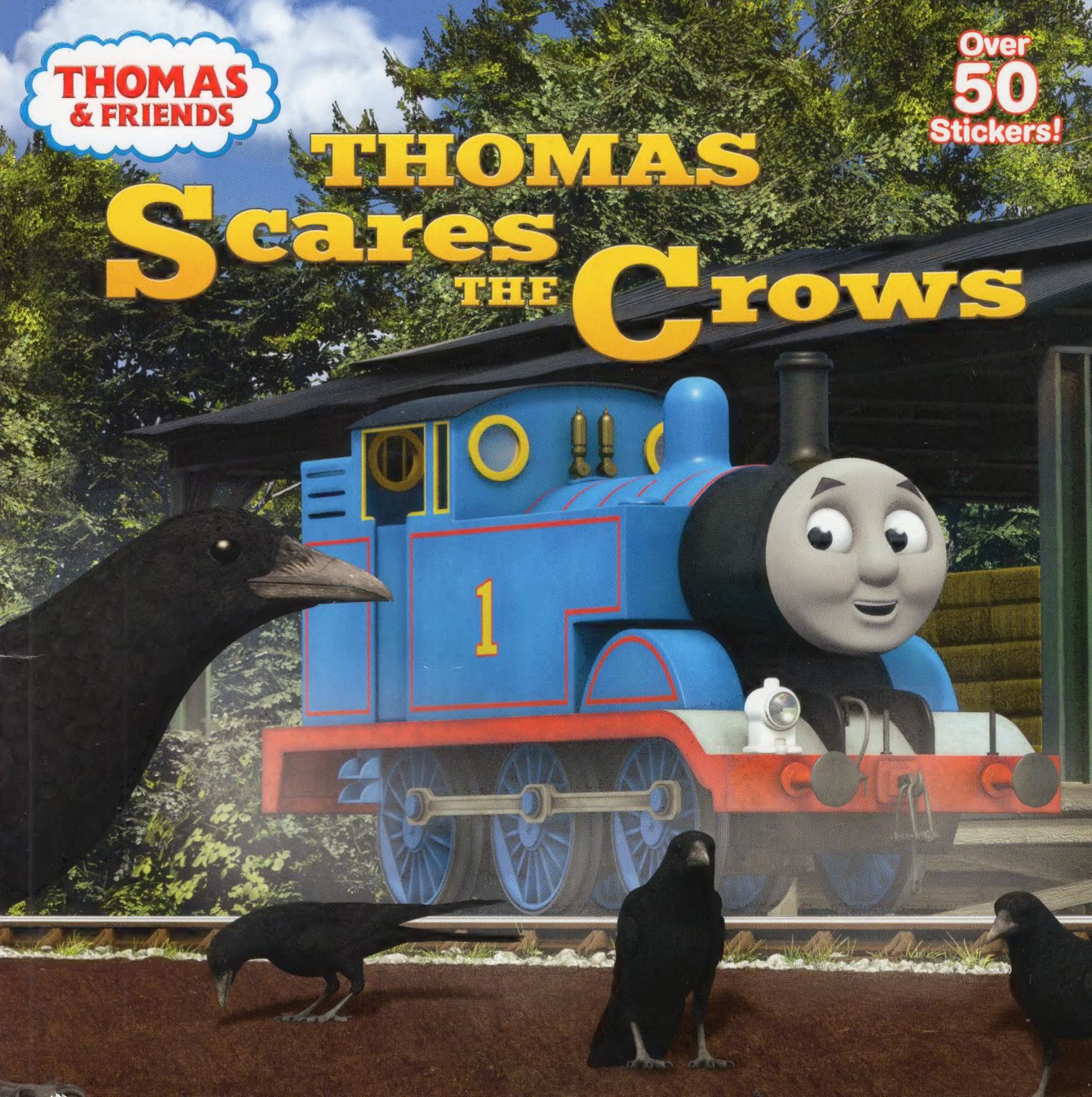
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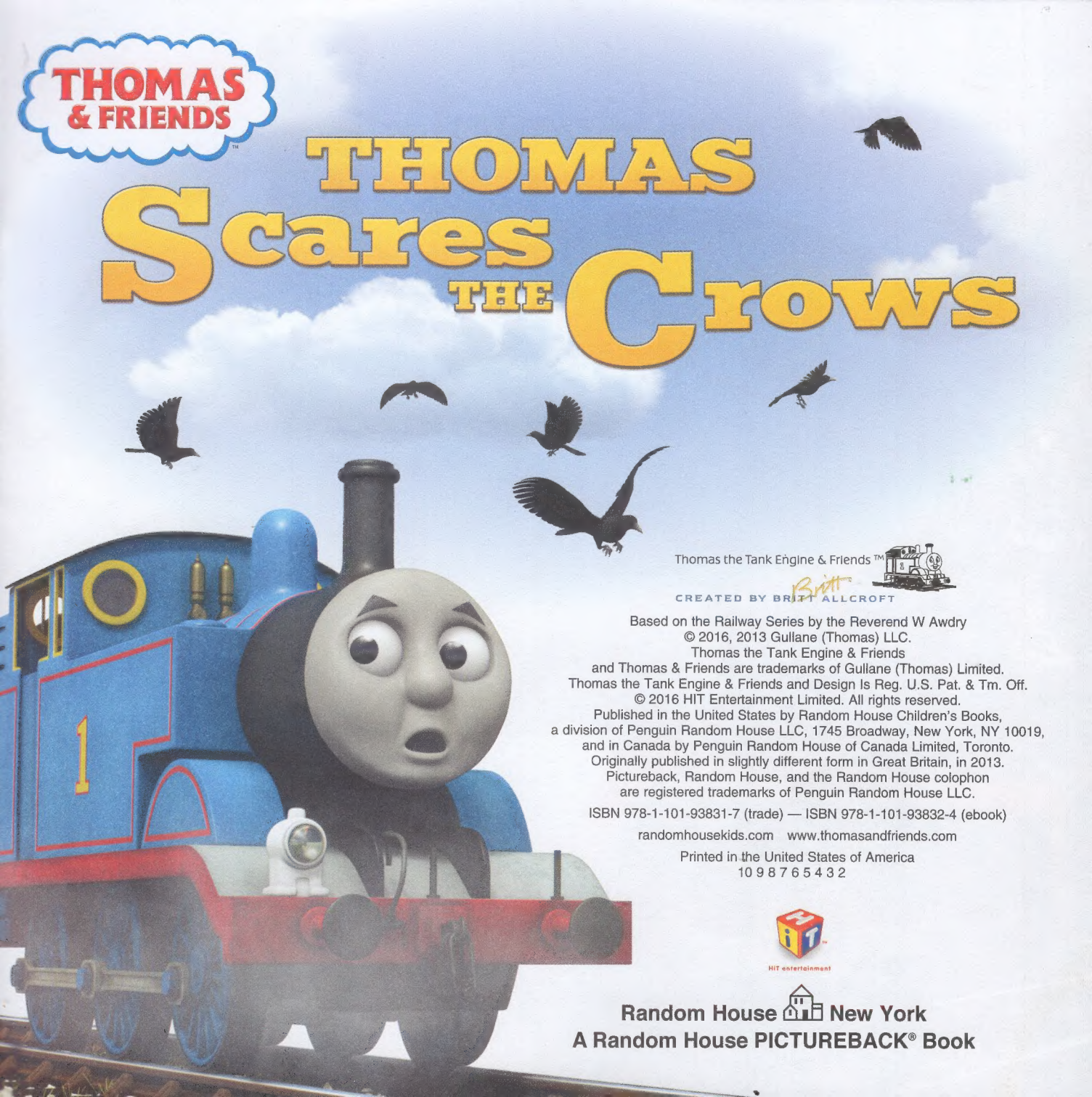

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The farmers of Sodor were planting seeds for the summer corn crop. When Thomas pulled up at Farmer McColl's farm, he heard a lot of loud noise.

There were crows **everywhere**!

Farmer McColl was **not** happy. The crows were eating all of his seeds!

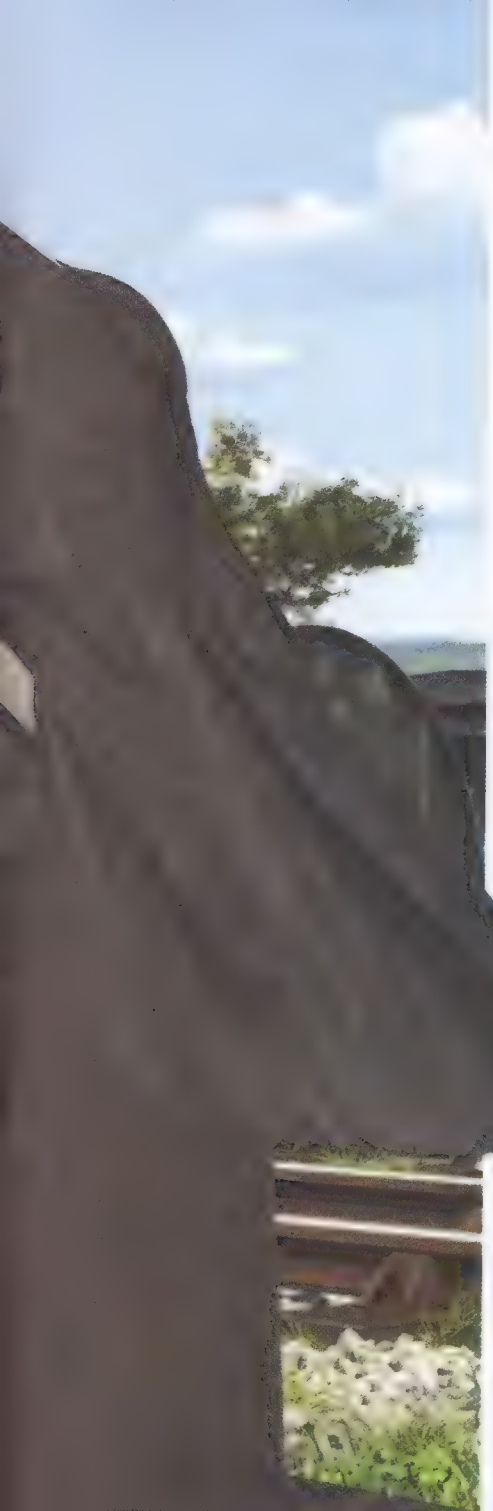
"***Shoo!***" Farmer McColl shouted at the birds. The birds were not scared of Farmer McColl, and they weren't afraid of his broken scarecrow, either.

"These crows are ruining my cornfield!" said Farmer McColl. "I have to fix that scarecrow."

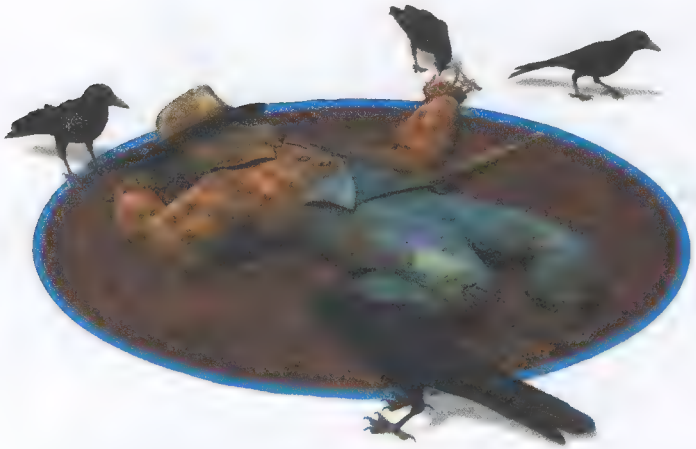
Thomas had pulled up at the farm.
An idea flew into his funnel.

Thomas would scare the crows away
by making lots of noise.

Sure enough, the crows flapped away.
But a few minutes later, they all returned.



"I'll keep these birds away until you fix your scarecrow," Thomas told Farmer McColl.



But two of the biggest crows ignored Thomas' toots and hoots.

Then Thomas had another idea. He would **chase** those birds far away from the field!

Thomas **puffed** his pistons and lurched toward the birds. The crows squawked and flew off down the track.

"I'm right behind you!" Thomas huffed as he steamed after the birds.

The crows flew faster. Thomas' boiler **bubbled**. "I must chase them away!" he said to himself.

The crows flew into the Steamworks, where Gordon was getting a new coat of paint.

Thomas let out a loud

Toot!

"Fizzling fireboxes!" Gordon gasped. The painter jumped, too—and his paintbrush gave Gordon a big black mustache!

Thomas giggled. "Sorry, Gordon! Can't stop. . . ."

The crows flew back up into the sky. They were ready for another chase!

Thomas **huffed** and **puffed** and ***tooted*** as loudly as he could. Chasing crows away was hard work!

This time, the crows landed on Mavis at the Quarry.

"Toooooooooot!"

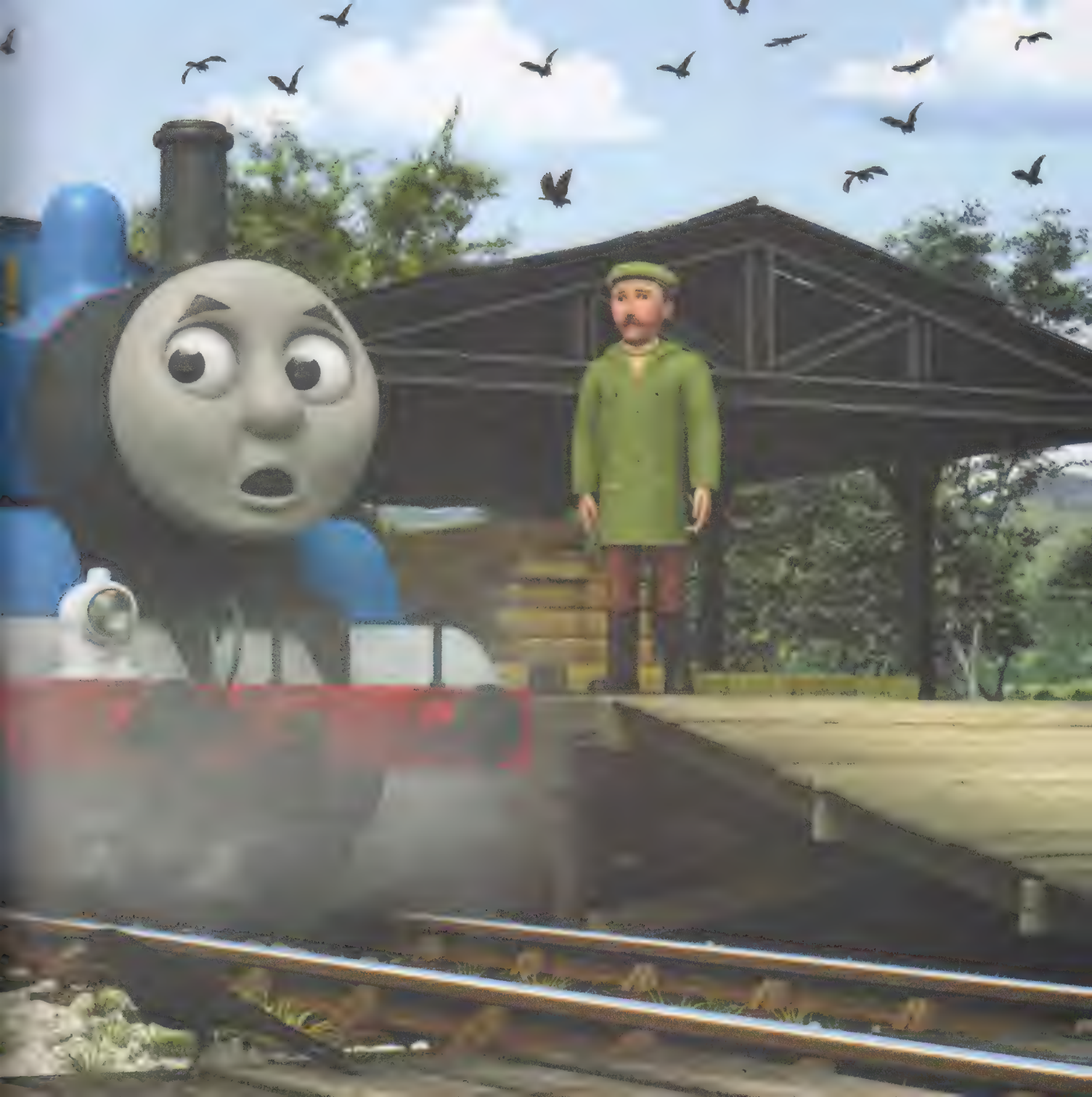
Thomas whistled.

Mavis bashed into her trucks. "*Trembling tracks!*" she cried. "You gave me a fright, Thomas!"

But Thomas wasn't listening. The toot had scared the birds, and they had disappeared into the sky. Thomas was so happy!

But Farmer McColl was not so happy. When Thomas returned to the farm, the crows were back again. And they'd brought even **more** of their friends with them!

Farmer McColl sighed. "What am I going to do? The scarecrow won't be ready until the morning."



Thomas felt terrible. If only he had stayed at the field, as he'd promised.

"I'll watch your field tonight," he promised Farmer McColl. "I won't move a piston!"

This time, Thomas kept his word. He hooted and tooted all night long.

The next morning, Farmer McColl put the mended scarecrow back in his field.

"You've been a Really Useful Engine, Thomas!" he said.

Thomas' boiler bubbled with pride!

Thomas yawned—and yawned some more. Soon he was fast asleep and dreaming about . . . **CROWS!**

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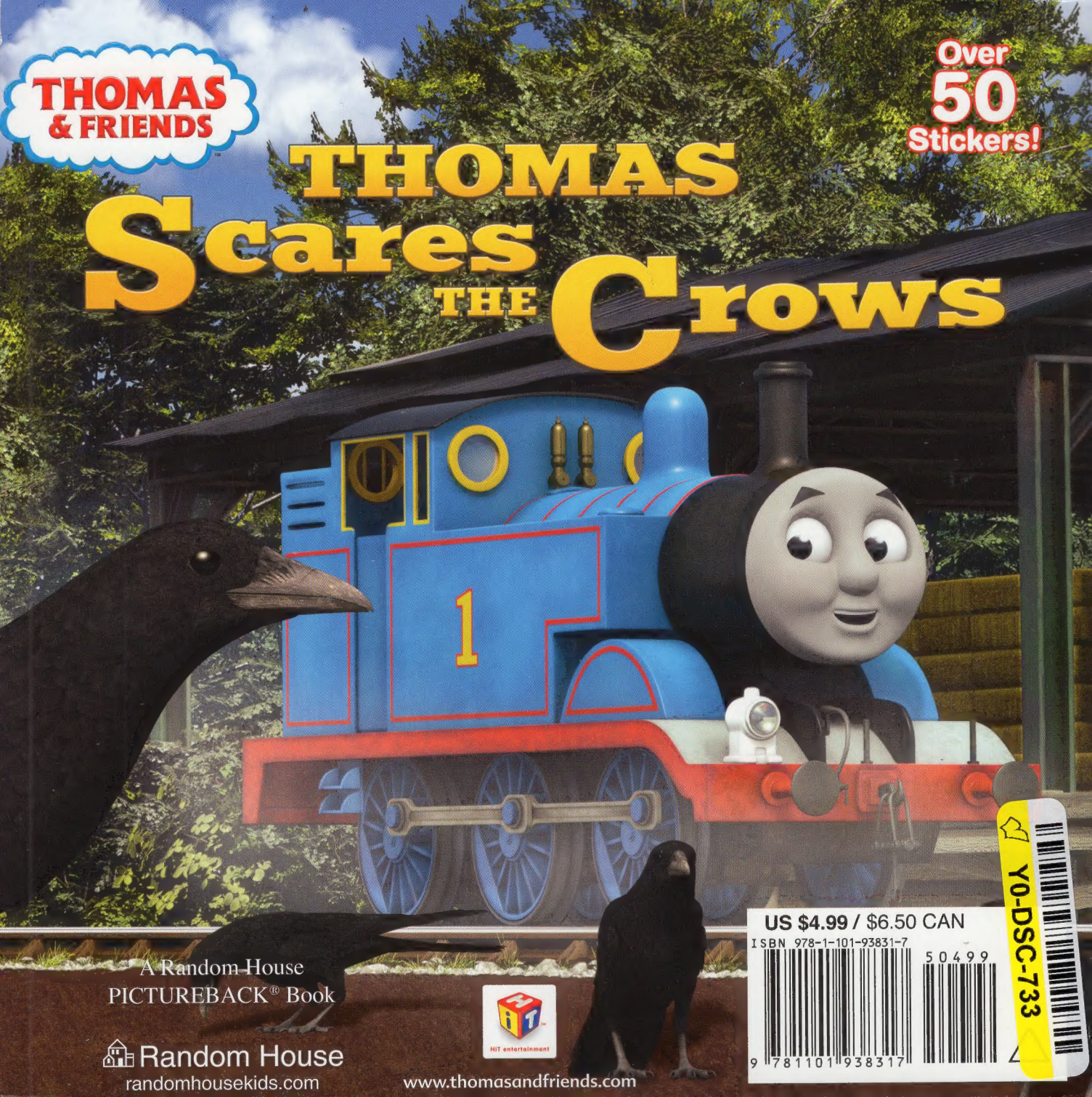

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